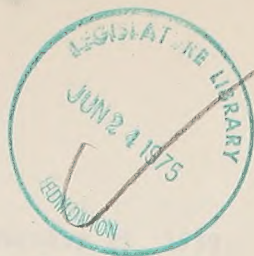


*Alba, Dept of the Provincial
Secretary*



Edmonton, February 27th 1939

To His Honour

John Campbell Bowen,

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta.

May It Please Your Honour:

The undersigned presents to Your Honour the Report prepared with respect to the chief transactions of the Department of the Provincial Secretary of Alberta during the twelve months ended the 31st day of March A.D.1938.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest T. Manning.
Provincial Secretary

Edmonton, February 27, 1939.

To

The Honourable Ernest C. Manning,
Provincial Secretary,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Sir,-

I have the honour to submit a Report of the
Department of the Provincial Secretary for the fiscal
year ended March 31st, 1938.

REVENUE

Fuel Oil Tax Act -----	\$ 2,610,211.11
Vehicles and Highway Traffic Act -----	1,731,529.11
Corporations Taxation Act -----	912,669.08
Railway Taxation Act -----	429,615.20

Amusements Tax Act

Amusements Tax - \$141,498.71

Pari Mutuel - 23,404.44

Theatres Act

Censorship Fees - 28,372.50

Licence Fees - 16,525.75 209,801.40

Insurance Act and Fire Prevention Act ----- 145,441.11

Corporations Temporary Additional Taxation Act

(Surcharge on Corporations taxed under
The Corporations Taxation Act) ----- 46,900.58

Surcharge on Companies registered under The

Companies Act and Railway Taxation Act ----- 40,935.55

Companies Act

Registration fees, Alberta Companies \$20,991.60

Registration fees, Foreign Companies 10,244.00 31,235.60

Miscellaneous Registrations and Licences ---	\$ 1,273.82
Total ---	\$ 6,159,612.56
(Previous Year)---	\$ 5,025,485.83
Increase ---	\$ 1,134,126.73

INSPECTIONS UNDER THE THEATRES ACT

Table No. 1

TABULATION OF PLANS SURVEYED, PLACES INSPECTED, AND NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS MADE UNDER THE THEATRE REGULATIONS FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING APRIL 1st, 1937, and ENDING MARCH 31st, 1938.

Number of places surveyed.....	56
New places recommended for license.....	56
Number of places inspected.....	93
Recommendations re wiring.....	57
Recommendations re Fire Precautions.....	59
Recommendations re Exits.....	72
Recommendations re Aisles and Seating.....	43
Recommendations re Ventilation and Sanitation	51

Table No. 2

TABULATION OF PROJECTION ROOMS AND PROJECTORS INSPECTED AND RECOMMENDATIONS MADE UNDER THE THEATRE REGULATIONS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD FROM APRIL 1st, 1937, to MARCH 31st, 1938.

Projection rooms inspected.....	90
Number of projectors inspected.....	152
Recommendations for repairs.....	110
Projectors condemned as defective.....	10
Recommendations re wiring.....	70
Recommendations re Fire Precautions.....	98
Recommendations re Ventilation.....	34
Number of projection rooms condemned.....	10

Table No. 3

RECORD OF ADVERSE FILM REPORTS AND THEIR DISPOSITION FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD FROM APRIL 1st, 1937, to MARCH 31st, 1938.

	Cleaned	Revised	Condemned	Re-edited	
Columbia	48	39			87
Empire	23	13			36
First National	6	2			8
Fox	48	34			83
General	2	6	1		8
Grand National	3	--	--		3
Paramount	36	17	--		53
Regal	49	29	2		80
R.K.O.	33	22	--		55
United Artist	16	7	--		23
Universal	23	11	1		35
Vitagraph	37	34	2		73
Warner Bros.	8	5	2		15

Table No. 4

SUMMARY OF EXAMINATIONS TOGETHER WITH NUMBER AND CLASS OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED TO PROJECTIONISTS FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD, FROM APRIL 1st, 1937, to MARCH 31st, 1938.

Number of Licences issued	
First.....	185
Second.....	165
Third.....	40
Apprentice.....	58
Provisory Permits.....	176
Narrow Gauge licences.....	33
Number of Examinations held -	1st.....
	2nd.....
	3rd.....
	23

AMUSEMENTS TAX RECEIPTS AND ADMISSIONS

April 1st, 1937, to March 31st, 1938.

	<u>Admissions</u>	<u>Receipts</u>
Calgary	1,938,987	\$ 43,479.87
Edmonton	2,261,113	56,247.06
Lethbridge	480,021	10,953.71
Medicine Hat	153,916	3,408.47
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	4,834,037	\$ 114,089.11
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All other Places	1,047,647	\$ 27,409.60
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	<u>5,881,684</u>	\$ <u>141,498.71</u>

MOTOR VEHICLES

All licences under The Vehicles and Highway Traffic Act are in effect for the twelve months commencing April 1st in each and every year, except chauffeurs' licences which are in force for the calendar year.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF LICENCES ISSUED.

	April 1, 1938, to Dec. 31, 1938 (9 months)	Previous Year.
Pleasure Cars -	85,325	80,797
Trucks -	20,295	17,583
Drivers -	129,273	122,272
Chauffeurs (Calendar Year)	<u>1938</u> 6,960	<u>1937</u> 5,898

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS.
(Calendar Year 1938)

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Injury to Persons.</u>	<u>Killed or Died from Injuries.</u>
Property damage in varying amounts of \$1.00 up to \$25.00 -	2,254)	705	50
Property damage in excess of \$25.00 -	2,889)		
At Railway Crossings -	<u>21</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>5,164</u>	<u>726</u>	<u>55</u>

FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENTS PER MONTH.

	<u>1937</u>	<u>1938</u>
January -	2 -	2 -
February -	2 -	2
March -	3 -	5
April -	2 -	1
May -	8 -	9
June -	5 -	5
July -	6 -	5
August -	6 -	4
September -	6 -	5
October -	5 -	7
November -	8 -	4
December -	3 -	6
 TOTAL -	 <u>56</u>	 <u>55</u>

In the year 1936 - seventy-two (72)

Fatal Accidents in Year 1938.

In the Cities -	19
On the Highways -	<u>36</u>
	<u>55</u>

CAUSE OF FATAL ACCIDENTS (1938)

- (a) Two children killed running in front of Bus.
- (b) Young girl walked in front of car.
- (c) Twelve year old girl struck by car whilst walking on side road.
- (d) Four year old daughter killed when car wheel passed over her neck as she dashed in front of truck as her father was driving out of farm.
- (e) Boy ran in front of truck driven by his grandfather.
- (f) Boy ran in front of truck driven by his father.

- (g) Eight (8) other deaths, crossing at intersections between sections, diagonally at intersections, walking on rural highway, coming from behind vehicle.
- (h) Four (4) deaths to bicyclists.
- (i) Five (5) deaths at railway crossings.
- (j) Faulty steering equipment.
- (k) Blowout (Philadelphia woman driver killed).
- (l) Three (3) other deaths from blowouts.
- (m) Defective rear tire.
- (n) Defective mechanism.
- (o) Two (2) deaths from stock on roads.
- (p) Two (2) deaths from buggies on road.
- (q) Four (4) deaths from skidding on icy and slippery roads and loose gravel.
- (r) Three (3) deaths caused by glaring headlights.
- (s) Two (2) deaths caused by duststorms.
- (t) Woman driver killed failing to negotiate turn in road.
- (u) Two (2) other deaths failing to make turn.
- (v) Whilst pouring gas into carburetor with truck in motion party fell off car and rear wheel passed over waist.
- (w) Operator of car was cleaning spark plugs when car started to coast backwards. Driver jumped on running board in effort to grasp the emergency brake. Car rolled over into a creek crushing driver.
- (x) Two (2) others killed when cars coasted backward on a narrow hill and off road.
- (y) One swerved, hit narrow bridge, plunged off road killing mother (daughter driving).
- (z) Person riding on running board fell off and killed.
- (z1) Truck driven by a woman collided with another motor vehicle killing driver of other vehicle.
- (z2) Person found on highway. Cause of death attributed to hit and run driver.

WOMEN DRIVERS INVOLVED IN FATAL ACCIDENTS.

1. Woman driver swerved, hit narrow bridge and plunged off road, killed her mother.
2. Woman driver struck a buggy and plunged over embankment, killed her husband.
3. Woman driver failed to see buggy on highway and was killed.
4. Woman driver lost control of car on icy and slippery highway *and hills.*
5. Woman driver killed, - cause blowout.
6. Woman driver killed, cause - defective rear tire.
7. Woman driver killed man in gasoline service station. Reported that auto. driven by woman was proceeding slowly across the service station yard when deceased walked in front of it.

General Type of Accidents:

Pedestrian

Automobile

Horse drawn vehicles

R.R. Trains

Street Car

Other Vehicle

Fixed Object

Bicycle

Stock on the Road

Non-Collission

Miscellaneous

Cause:

Excess Speeding

Wrong Side of Road

No right of Way

Careless and Negligent Driving

Failed to Signal

Parked Cars

Cars without Lights

Cars parked without Lights
One or both headlights out
Cars stopped suddenly- following too closely
Cars failing to come to a stop when entering a highway
Drivers taking chances on curves and intersections
Cars passing on hills
Cars backing from curbs
Cars taking to the ditch to avoid an accident
Poor Visibility
Glaring lights
Sun glare
Dust and wind
View obstructions
Wet, slippery and snow roads
Loose gravel
No lights on wagons, sleighs, trailers, etc.
Fatigue of driver
Mechanism of car (brakes, loose wheel, etc.)
Blowouts.

Drivers Sentenced to Provincial Gaol.

Under The Criminal Code, intoxicated whilst in charge of a motor vehicle -	48
Under The Criminal Code, (bodily harm) -	1
Under The Vehicles & Highway Traffic Act - Reckless Driving -	14

Summary of Other Convictions under The Vehicles
and Highway Traffic Act during 1938.

<u>Section</u>	
2 - Without drivers' or chauffeurs' licence -	532
3 - Motor vehicles failing to register -	294
31 - Number plates on motor vehicle other than on one registered -	95
36 - No lights or reflectors -	241
40 - Inefficient brakes -	46
42 - No mirror on truck -	40
43 (and Sec. 285 Reckless or negligent driving and speeding - (6) Criminal Code)	591
47 - Failing to keep to the centre line -	134
52 - Failing to return to scene of accident or report -	138
(other sections of the Act) -	265
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TOTAL -	<u>2,376</u>

Suspensions and Cancellations of Drivers' licences
during the year 1938.....165

Chauffeurs' Licences..... 12
Total.. 177

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. M. M. M.

Deputy Provincial Secretary.